AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown below:

1 through 22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) A method of allowing a host computer to use ~~a portable computer system~~ an electronic device as a peripheral comprising:

receiving ~~a host computer system issuing~~ first commands and data over a communication link at ~~to said portable computer system using~~ a first communication port of said ~~portable computer system~~ electronic device;

~~a bridge process implemented in said portable computer system~~ copying said first commands and data to a second communication port internal to said ~~portable computer system~~ electronic device~~, said second communication port directly accessible to said host computer system~~;

an internal wireless modem receiving said first commands and data from said second communication port;

said internal wireless modem sending second commands and data to said second communication port; and

~~said bridge process~~ copying said second commands and data from said second communication port to said first communication port.

24. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising said ~~host computer system receiving~~ transmitting said second commands and data from said first communication port to said host computer system.

25. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said first communication port and said second communication port are serial communication ports.

26. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim ~~in Claim~~ 25 wherein said serial communication ports are implemented using UART circuitry.

27. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said ~~portable~~ electronic device is a personal digital assistant and wherein said first communication port is for communicatively coupling said personal digital assistant to said host computer system.

28. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising relaying information from a receive line (Rx) of said first communication port to a transmit line (Tx) of said second communication port.

29. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising relaying information from a receive line (Rx) of said second communication port to a transmit line (Tx) of said first communication port.

30. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising said bridge process performing protocol translation between a PPP communication protocol and a non-PPP communication protocol.

31. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising said wireless modem performing protocol translation between a PPP communication protocol and a non-PPP communication protocol.

32. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said first communication port is a wireless Bluetooth compliant external communication device for communicating with said host computer system.

33. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said first communication port is a wireless infrared external communication device for communicating with said host computer system.

34. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 27 further comprising communicatively coupling said host computer system to said ~~portable~~

~~computer system~~ electronic device at said first communication port of said ~~portable computer system~~ electronic device.

35. (New) A method as described in Claim 23 further comprising a host computer system issuing said first commands and data over said communication link to said electronic device using a first communication port of said electronic device

36. (New) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said copying said first commands and data to a second communication port internal to said electronic device is performed by a bridge process implemented in said electronic device.

37. (New) A method as described in Claim 36 wherein said copying said second commands and data from said second communication port to said first communication port is performed by said bridge process.

38. (New) A method as described in Claim 23 wherein said second communication port is directly accessible to said host computer system